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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SECURING A THIN FILM MAGNETIC TAPE HEAD CLOSURE

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to a USPTO Office Action dated October 6, 1999, please amend the above identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Twice Amended). A magnetic head for at least one of reading from and writing to a medium moving across the head, comprising:

a substrate;

a closure separated from said substrate by a gap, said closure including a C-core;

a thin film layer deposited on said substrate, said thin film layer comprising a plurality of recording track [layer] layers; and

a plurality of gluing vias formed between said substrate and said closure and interspersed amongst said plurality of recording track layers.

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